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PONTOON BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION
ROUTE 1, NORTH VIETNAM

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS PONTOON BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION NEAR TWO
INTERDICTED BRIDGES IN NORTH VIETNAM. THESE AREAS HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY
COVERED BY [] LAZY DAISY, LUCKY DRAGON, AND TROJAN HORSE
PHOTOGRAPHY.

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DONG PHONG THUONG RAILROAD AND HIGHWAY BRIDGE
1958N 10550E

1. STRIKE DATA REPORTS THE DONG PHONG THUONG RAILROAD AND HIGHWAY
BRIDGE TO HAVE BEEN DAMAGED AS A RESULT OF AN AIR STRIKE ON 03 APRIL 1965.

2. PHOTOGRAPHY OF [] REVEALED THAT A TEMPORARY DECK HAD
BEEN CONSTRUCTED ON TOP OF THE COLLAPSED CENTER SPAN OF THE DONG PHONG
THUONG RAILROAD AND HIGHWAY BRIDGE. THE DAMAGED NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN
SPANS HAD BEEN TEMPORARILY REINFORCED AND BOTH APPROACHES REPAIRED. THE
BRIDGE APPEARED SERVICEABLE TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC.

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3. STRIKE DATA REPORTS THE DONG PHONG THUONG BRIDGE WAS STRUCK ON
27 MAY 1965 BY EIGHT (8) US NAVY AIRCRAFT SUPPORTED BY THREE (3) OTHER
US NAVY AIRCRAFT. ORDNANCE EXPENDED CONSISTED OF 12,000 LBS. OF BOMBS,
BULLPUP MISSILES, ZUNI ROCKETS, AND 20 MM AMMUNITION.

4. TROJAN HORSE [] REVEALS THE SOUTHERN SPAN
OF THE BRIDGE TO BE DESTROYED AND THE TEMPORARY CENTER DECK TO BE
SEVERELY DAMAGED. THE SOUTHERN APPROACH APPEARS TO BE INTERDICTED.

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A NEWLY-IDENTIFIED VEHICULAR PONTOON BRIDGE HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED 1,200 FEET WEST OF THE INTERDICTED RAILROAD AND HIGHWAY BRIDGE AND IS PROBABLY SERVICEABLE. ADDITIONAL PONTOON BRIDGE SEGMENTS ARE OBSERVED JUST WEST OF THE PONTOON BRIDGE. A FERRY CROSSING, LOCATED BETWEEN THE PONTOON BRIDGE AND THE INTERDICTED BRIDGE, HAS AT LEAST FOUR (4) CARGO TRUCKS ON EITHER SIDE OF THE SONG LEN (RIVER).

THANH HOA RAILROAD AND HIGHWAY BRIDGE
1950N 10548E

(SEE NPIC BRIEFING BOARD K-0272 FOR COMPARISON)

1. THE THANH HOA RAILROAD AND HIGHWAY BRIDGE OVER THE SONG MA (RIVER) HAS BEEN SUBJECTED TO REPEATED AIR STRIKES SINCE EARLY APRIL 1965.

2. TROJAN HORSE [] REVEALED PROBABLE
RECONSTRUCTION ON THE EASTERN APPROACH TO THE THANH HOA BRIDGE. A WELL-TRAVELED CUTOFF WAS OBSERVED EXTENDING FROM ROUTE 1 TO THE FERRY CROSSING LOCATED 0.2 NM SOUTH OF THE BRIDGE; HOWEVER, NO FERRY OR VEHICLES WERE NOTED IN THE VICINITY OF THE CROSSING.

3. THIS MISSION, TROJAN HORSE [] REVEALS THAT
THE THANH HOA RAILROAD AND HIGHWAY BRIDGE IS NOW POSSIBLY SERVICEABLE TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC BY THE UTILIZATION OF THE RAILROAD PORTION. PONTOON BRIDGE SEGMENTS ARE OBSERVED ON EITHER SIDE OF THE SONG MA (RIVER) APPROXIMATELY 1,000 FT SOUTH OF THE BRIDGE.

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